Whitley, Christopher

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, March 19, 2013 8:47 AM

To:

Hood, Rich; Cohen, Nancy; Whitley, Christopher

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Delp, Robert

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Re: Westlake & Rolling Stone

Thanks, Rich.

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From: Hood, Rich

Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2013 9:46:32 AM

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Enesta,

We will get back with you later this morning to address Mathy's questions and latest reporter questions.

From: Jones, Enesta

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Additional q from reporter.

To get a good understanding of an additional question I have, please see the attached report, which was released to the public on March 15, 2013.

I'm interested in EPA's response to the conclusions drawn in the "1." section of Dr. Criss' report, asserting that the EPA, and the broader federal government, has for 30+ years repeatedly mischaracterized the chemical composition of the materials dumped in West Lake. Please add to the list of questions the following:

- 1. Does the EPA agree with Dr. Criss' assessment that the NRC's characterization of the waste as "leached barium sulfate is false?
- 2. If so, what accounts for the EPA's numerous citations of said characterization?

Please note that I have also made the same inquiries to EPA Region 7 spokesperson Christopher Whitley, who has not responded yet.

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